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## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Box NON-FEE Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is being filed pursuant to a February 1, 2000, telephone conference between Examiner Sharon Kennedy and Brick G. Power, the undersigned attorney of record. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

(Twice amended) The lock washer of claim 4, wherein, following a flexion of said tube engagement flanges, said tube engagement flanges return to a relaxed state and said web is configured to re-expand to an original state.